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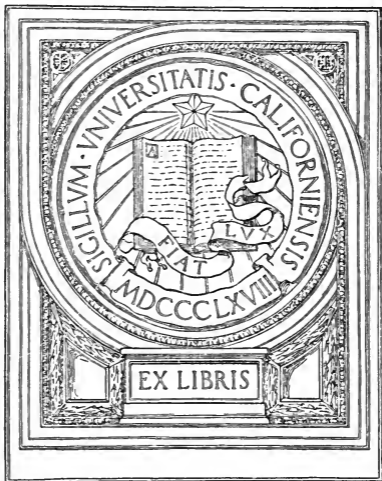
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CONSTITUTION
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ARTICLE I.

NAME.

This association shall be called the "California State Horticultural Society."

ARTICLE II.

OBJECT.

Its object shall be to promote the science and practice of horticulture in all its branches.

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERS.

The Society shall consist of—First : Regular members and Life members ; second : of Honorary members and Corresponding members, who shall have the same privileges as regular members, except that they shall have no vote in the transaction of business.

ARTICLE IV.

OFFICERS.

The elective officers of this Society shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Board of five Directors, four of whom shall constitute a quorum. These officers shall be elected annually to serve one year, or until their successors qualify.

ARTICLE V.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered. He shall call a special meeting of the Society whenever it seems to him desirable, or at the written request of ten members. The President and Secretary are *ex officio* members of the Board of Directors. The Vice-President shall take the place of the President during his absence. The Secretary shall keep a correct account of the proceedings of all meetings of the Society, and also of the Board of Directors. He shall issue notices to members of all meetings. He shall receive all moneys paid in, receipt for the same, and pay them over to the Treasurer. He shall attest

all papers executed by the Society, and attend to the correspondence. The Treasurer shall receive from the Secretary all moneys collected by him, and pay the same out only by order of the Board of Directors. He shall report receipts and disbursements at the close of each meeting, and shall make a full statement of accounts at each annual meeting. The Board of Directors shall be the general managers of the Society. They shall have charge of its property; they shall examine and audit its accounts, and order bills paid; they shall elect their own presiding officer, shall hold at least monthly meetings, except in July, August and December; shall have charge of all exhibitions and publications of the Society, and shall have power to employ an assistant Secretary when necessary, define his duties and fix his compensation.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be amended only by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting of the Society; *Provided*, that the proposed amendment was offered in writing and read by the Secretary at the previous regular meeting.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

All members must be elected by ballot after having been announced at a previous regular meeting. They must receive a majority vote of the members present. No person shall be deemed a member until he or she shall have paid an initiation fee of two dollars and fifty cents into the funds of the Society and signed the Constitution.

ARTICLE II.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The annual meeting and election of officers shall be held on the last Friday in October, and the candidates must be nominated at the previous monthly meeting, and be elected by ballot.

Vacancies which occur shall be filled, by election by ballot, at the next regular meeting after they are announced to the Society, and all candidates for such vacancies must be nominated at the monthly meeting previous to their election.

ARTICLE III.

DUES.

Each member shall pay dues of Three Dollars annually in advance. Non-payment of dues for six months shall subject a member to suspension or expulsion. A member may be re-instated by a majority vote at any time upon payment of back dues.

ARTICLE IV.**PENALTIES.**

A member may be expelled by a two-thirds vote of the members at any regular meeting, provided, that charges have been preferred at the previous regular meeting, and provided that such member shall have had at least two weeks' notice to answer such charges.

ARTICLE V.**COMMITTEES.**

Standing Committees shall be appointed or elected upon the following and such other subjects as may be deemed advisable. Orchard and Small Fruits; Grapes and Grape Products; Transportation; Nomenclature and New Fruits; Handling of Fruits; Vegetables; Botany and Vegetable Physiology; Insects and Diseases; Chemical Fertilization; Forestry. Also a Committee on Subjects, Discussions and Publications.

ARTICLE VI.**DEBT LIMITATION.**

The Board of Directors shall not be allowed at any time to incur a debt of over twenty-five dollars without a two-thirds vote of the Society at a regular meeting.

ARTICLE VII.**QUORUM.**

Ten voting members of this Society present at any regular meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VIII.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

The regular meeting of this Society shall be held on the last Friday of each month promptly at 12:30 P. M., in the city of San Francisco, and at such place as the Board of Directors may designate.

ARTICLE IX.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

At the regular meetings of the Society, the following shall be the order of proceeding and each item shall be announced by the presiding officer in its regular order.

1. Reading of the Minutes of Last Meeting.
2. Nominations for Membership.
3. Balloting for Candidates.
4. Reports of Officers.
5. Reports of Committees.
6. Correspondence.
7. Written Communications
8. Oral Communications.
9. Receiving exhibits and donations to the Library and Museum.
10. Unfinished Business.
11. New Business and selection of subjects for following meeting.
12. Questions and Requests, either written or oral by members for responses by other members.
13. Stated Discussion.
14. Adjournment.

ARTICLE X.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws may be amended in the same way as the Constitution.



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